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EUVL Exposure Tools for HVM: It's Under (and About) Control

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- The position of EUV for continuation of advanced lithography solutions:
More than simply shrink
- EUV Installed base performance:
Imaging, overlay, defectivity: status and implication
- EUV source architecture, performance and power scaling:
The beauty of the ASML EUV Source
- Summary

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Shrink drives need for advanced lithography solutions...

Minimum Resolution of Critical Device Features

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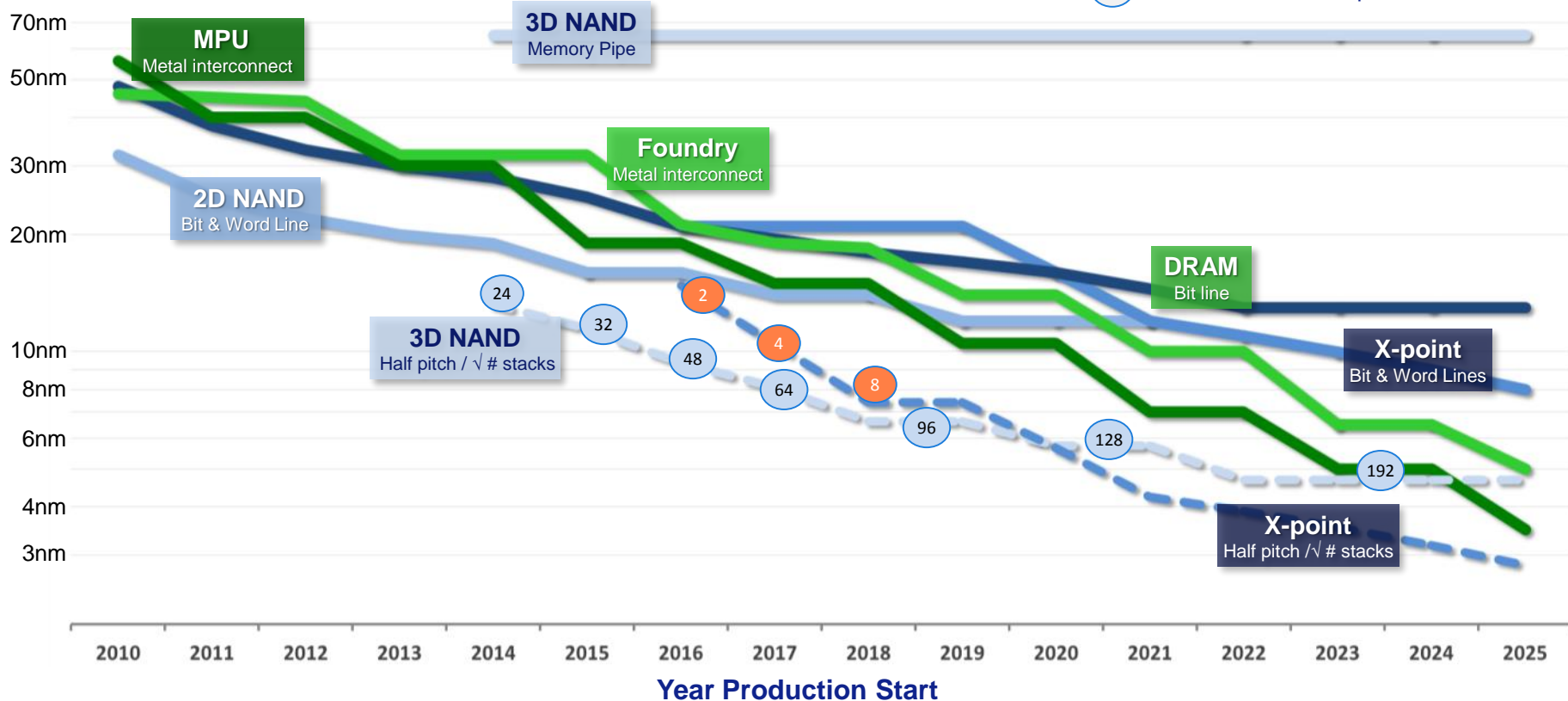
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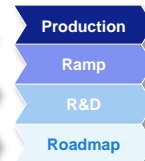
- Minimum resolution
- Effective 3D resolution
- xx Number of 3D or x-point stacks

Minimum Resolution, Half Pitch [nm]



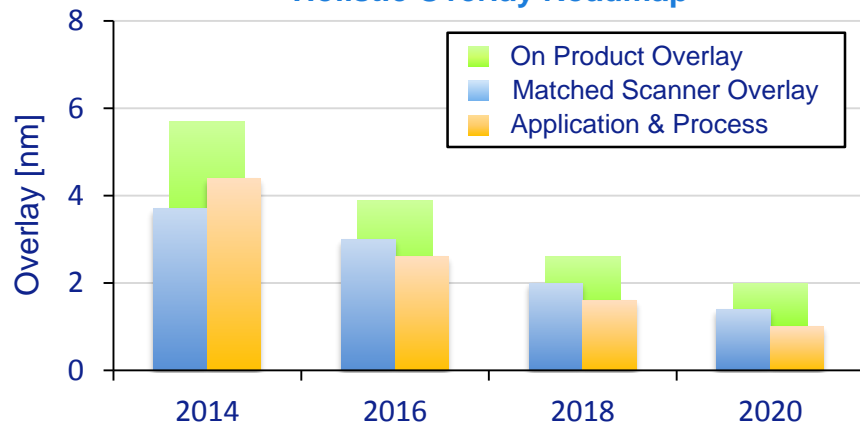
Requirements for Overlay & Focus are “challenging”

Year HVM	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Logic - Foundry	20 nm	16 – 14 nm	10 nm	7 nm	5 nm		
Logic - MPU	22 nm	14 nm	10 nm	7 nm			
DRAM	D2xM	D2xL	D1xH	D1xM	D1x		
NAND planar & 3D	19 nm 3D x24	3D x32	16 nm 3D x48	14 nm 3D x64	3D x96	3D x128	x192
X-Point			2x x2	2x x4	1x x4	1x x8	
On-Product Overlay ¹	5.0 ~ 4.0 nm	5.0 ~ 3.5 nm	5.0 ~ 3.5 nm	4.5 ~ 2.5 nm	3.5 ~ 2.5 nm	2.5 ~ 2.0 nm	2.5 ~ 1.8 nm
On-Product Focus ²	90 ~ 60 nm	80 ~ 60 nm	70 ~ 60 nm	60 ~ 50 nm	60 ~ 50 nm	50 ~ 40 nm	50 ~ 40 nm

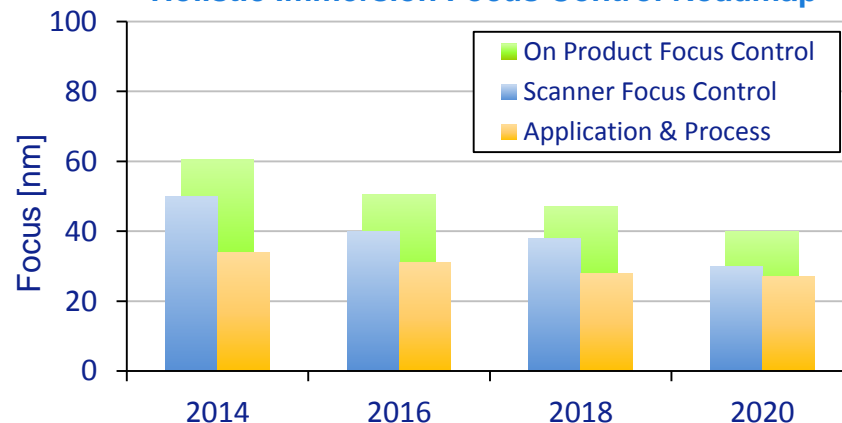


¹ Range for Logic & Memory critical layers ² Range for EUV & ArF immersion foundry production wafer focus control requirements with process window enhancement techniques.

Holistic Overlay Roadmap



Holistic Immersion Focus Control Roadmap



ASML's holistic shrink roadmap: DUV-EUV coexistence

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**Extend DUV to
support multiple
patterning**



**Introduce EUV to
volume
manufacturing**

**Support both with a suite of process window
enhancement, control and calibration products**

EUV – Why It Helps

EUV single exposure replaces immersion multiple patterning

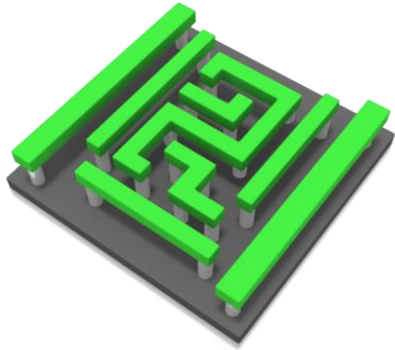
2D-Metal at **32nm pitch** achieved with Quasar illumination

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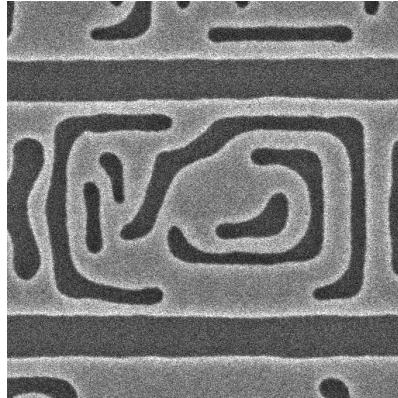
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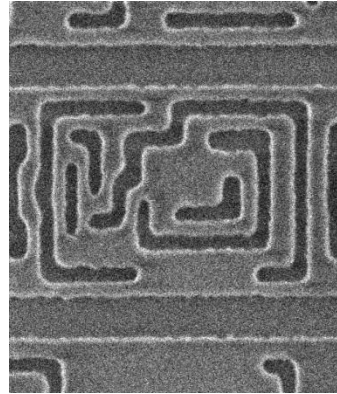
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ArFi LE³
(triple patterning)



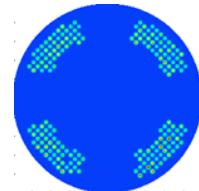
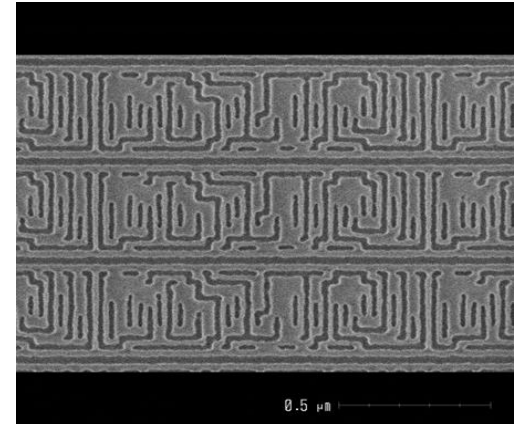
EUV Single Exposure



Dose: 20 mJ/cm²

48nm pitch / 24nm CD

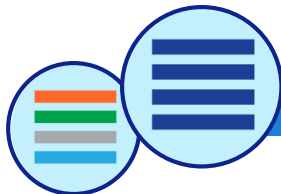
32nm pitch / 16nm CD



Quasar,
Pupil Fill ratio 20%

EUV: The overall economic value to Customers

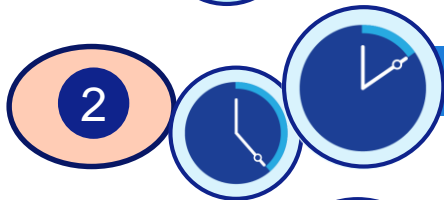
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Per-layer patterning cost comparison

EUV clear winner for critical layers (3x ArFi immersion and above)

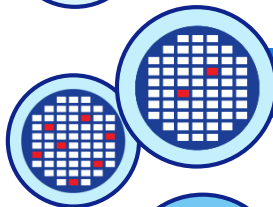
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Shorter cycles of learning = faster time to market

Single-expose layers reduce process complexity (6-month gain)

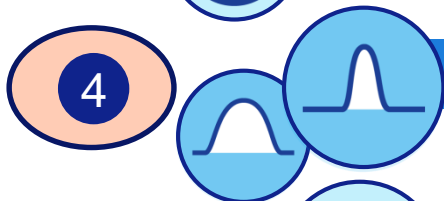
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Steeper ramp to higher yield

Fewer multiple patterning layers mean higher yield (up to 9%)

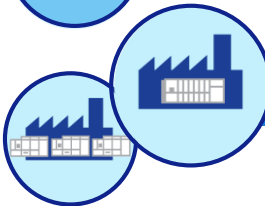
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Superior electrical properties

Better binning

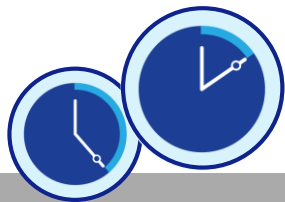
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In a full fab, EUV enables higher output

DRAM example: 78% vs 62% bit growth

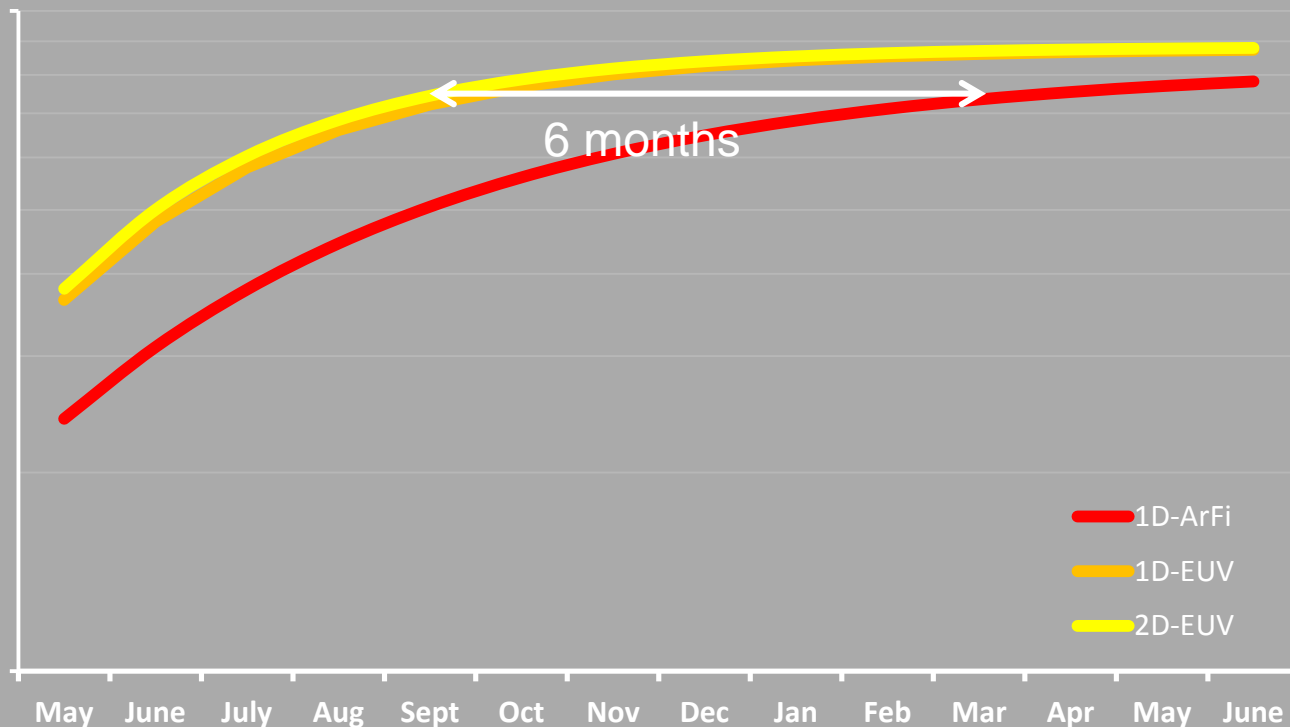
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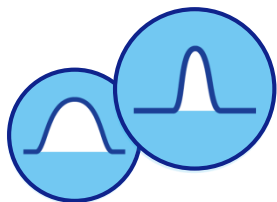
Faster yield ramp with EUV means faster time to market

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Increasing Yield



A simpler process goes through yield ramp faster



Electrical data confirms: EUV enables superior devices

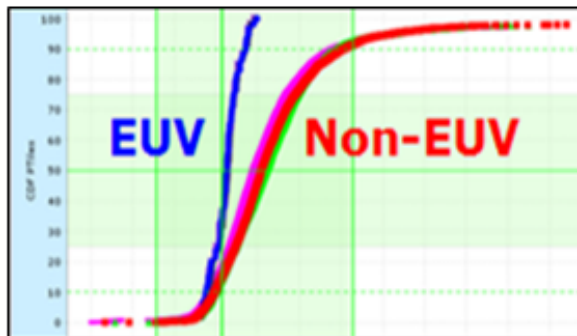


Competitive Positioning of EUV

Implication of Improved Variability

EUV v. LE³ 193i

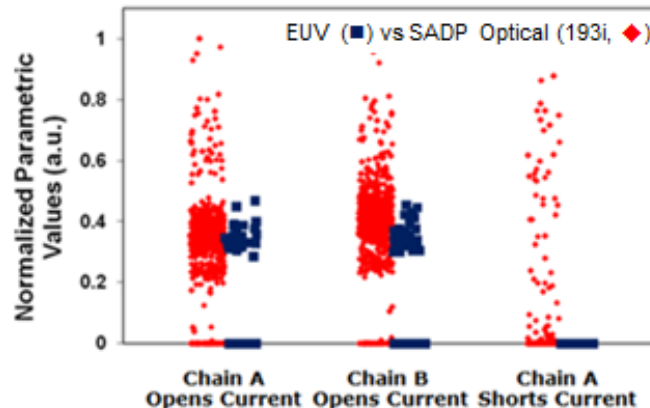
Cumulative Distribution of Wire Resistance



EUV exhibits tighter distribution in resistance than multi-patterning.

EUV v. SADP

Normalized Current for Via Chain



The improved variability of EUV Trench v. SADP Trench is evident in chain distribution and yield.

SADP: Self aligned double patterning

EUV – Where are we now

Customer Confidence in EUV continues to increase

Source power

- 125W configuration at customer sites
- 210 Watts of dose-controlled EUV power demonstrated

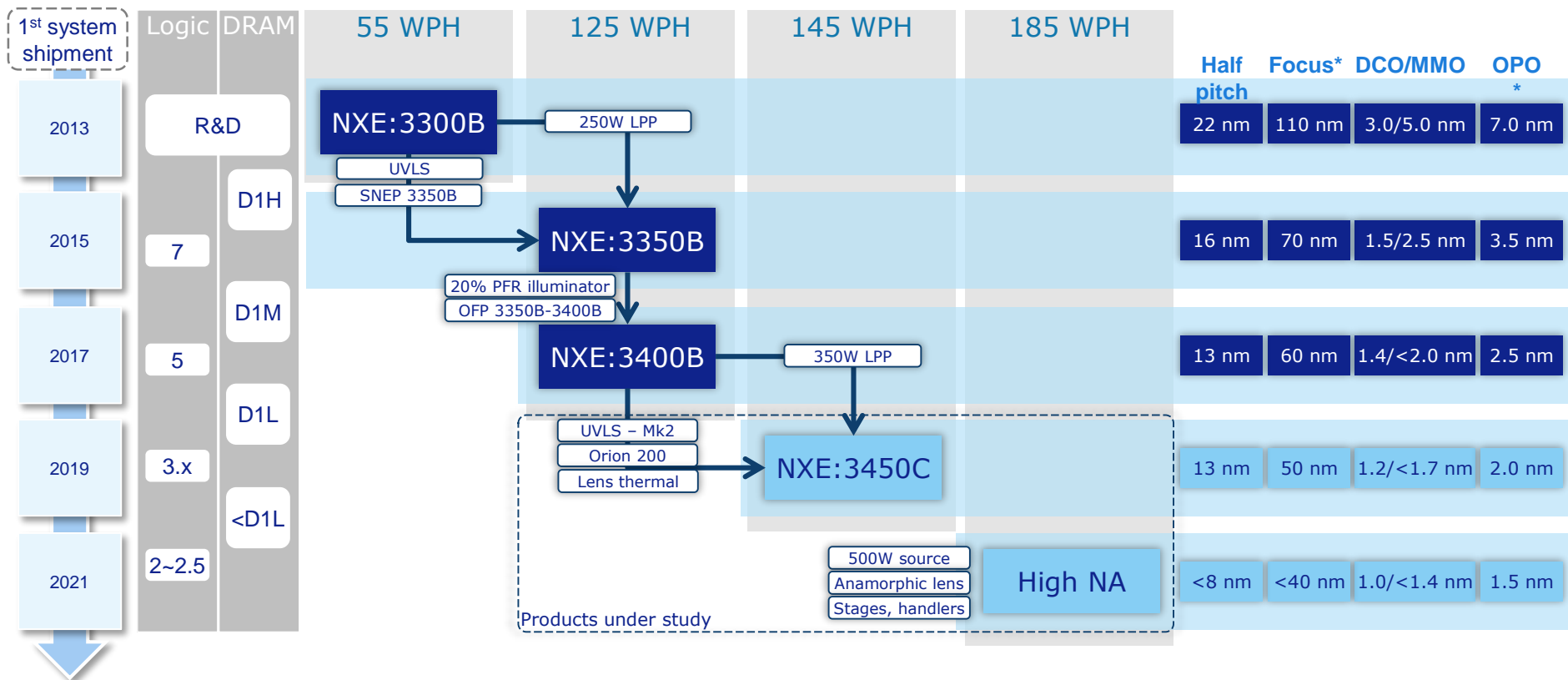
Availability

- Five customer systems have achieved a four-week average availability of more than 80%; however, consistency still needs to be improved

Productivity

- More than 1,200 wafers per day (wpd) exposed on NXE:3350B at a customer site
- Peak performance near target of 1500 wpd (achieved 1488 wpd at ASML)

NXE extension roadmap to optimize capital efficiency



EUV – Installed Base

NXE:3350B: 2x overlay improvement at 16nm resolution

Supporting 7nm logic, ~15nm DRAM requirements

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Overlay set up

Set-up and modeling
improvements

Reticle Stage

Better thermal control
increased servo bandwidth

Projection Optics

Higher lens transmission improved
aberrations and distortion

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NXE:3350B

SMASH sensor

Improved alignment
sensor

Spotless NXE

Automated wafer table
cleaning

Off-Axis Illuminator FlexPupil

Wafer Stage

Improved thermal
control

New UV level sensor

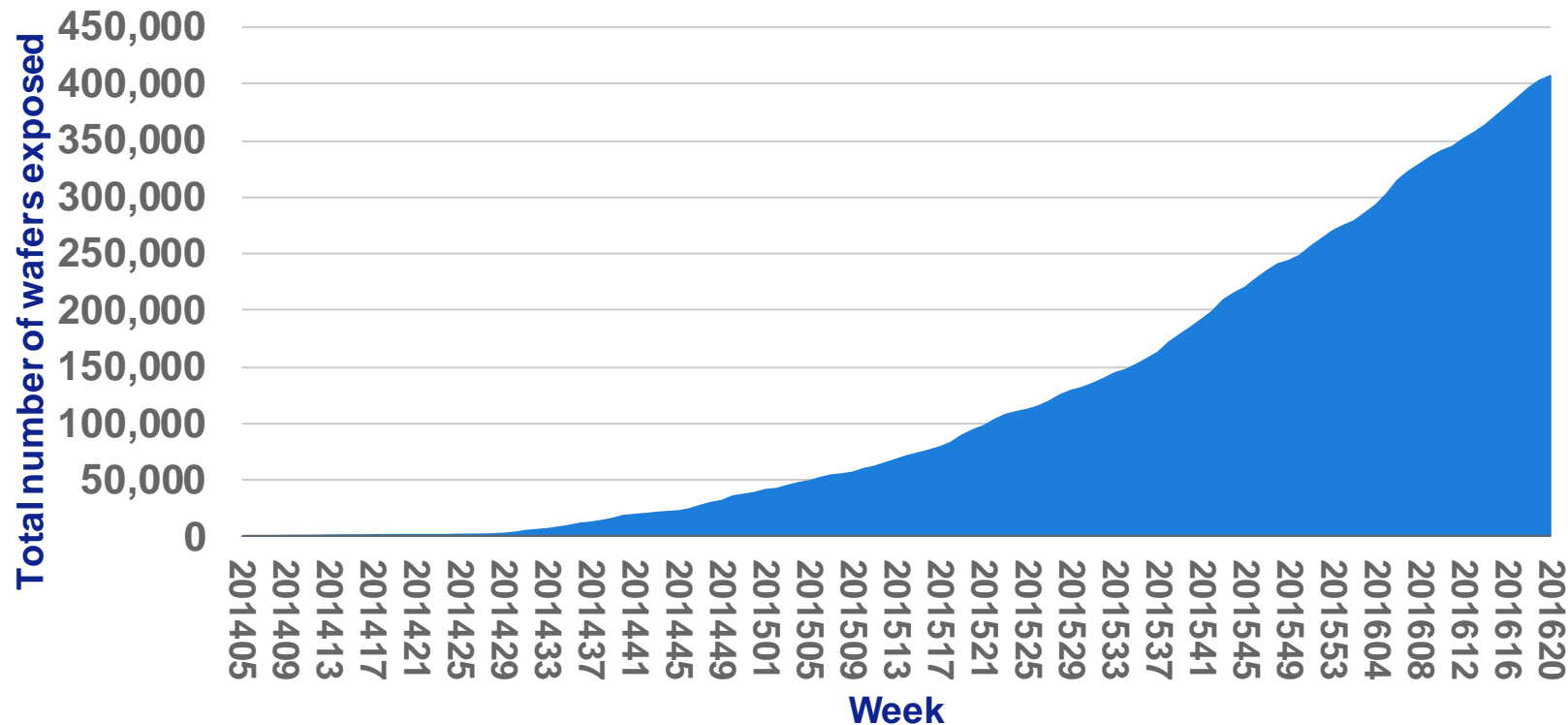
Improved air mounts

Resolution	16nm
Full wafer CDU	$\leq 1.3\text{nm}$
DCO	$\leq 1.5\text{nm}$
MMO	$\leq 2.5\text{nm}$
Focus control	$\leq 70\text{nm}$
Productivity	≥ 125 WPH

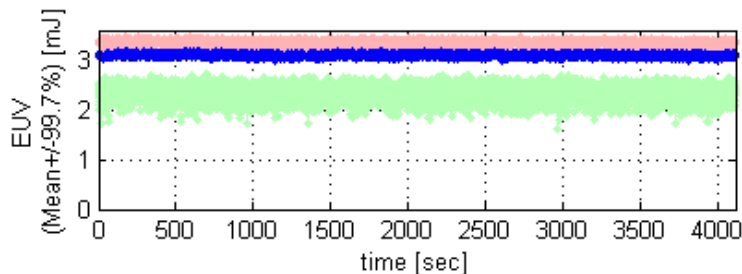
- Overlay
- Imaging/Focus
- Productivity

>405k wafers exposed on NXE:3300B at customer sites

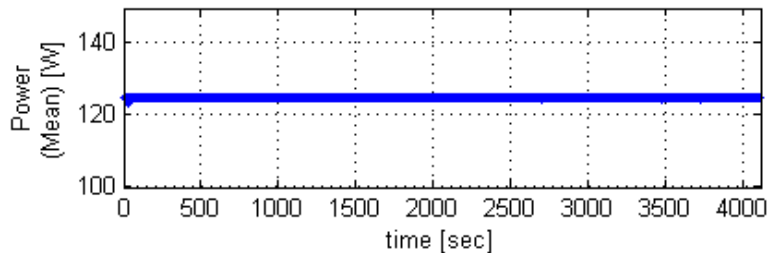
Currently 8 systems running in the field



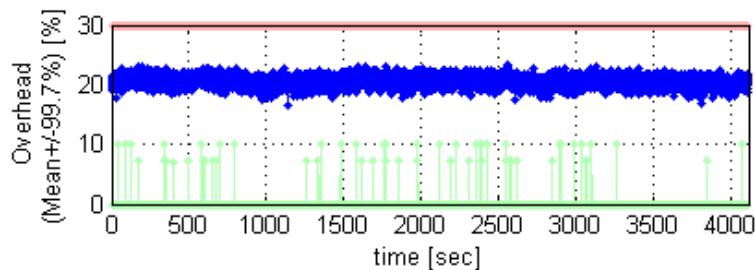
NXE:3350B: 125W settings qualified



Mean pulse energy at
Intermediate Focus ~3mJ

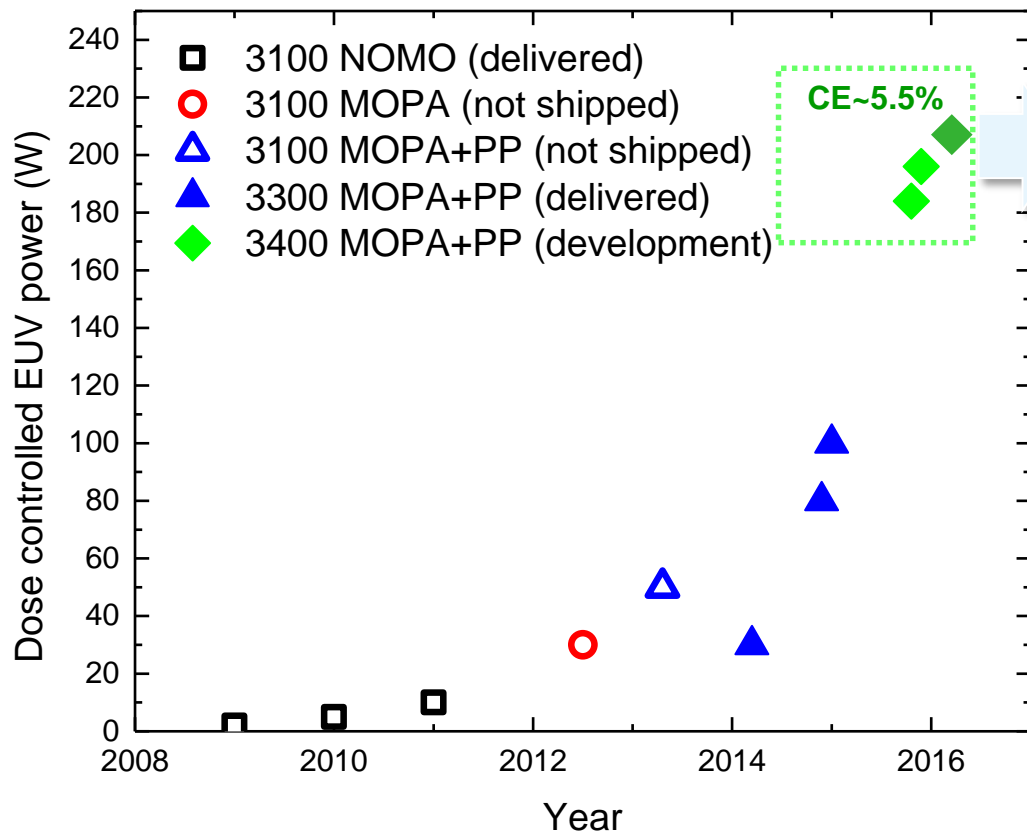


EUV power at
Intermediate Focus 125W

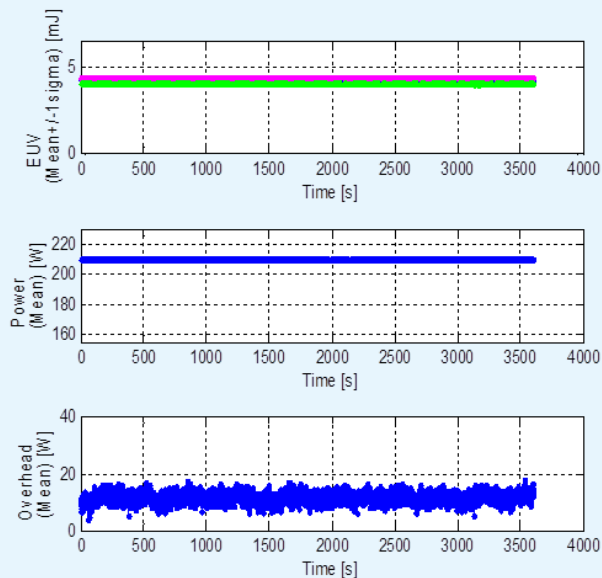


Energy control Overhead ~20%

Progress in source power supporting productivity roadmap to >125 WPH



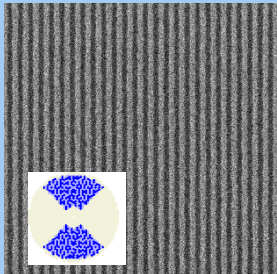
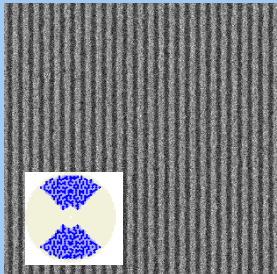
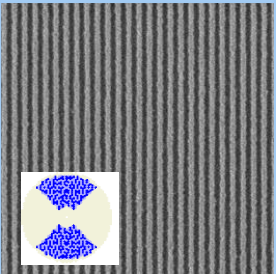
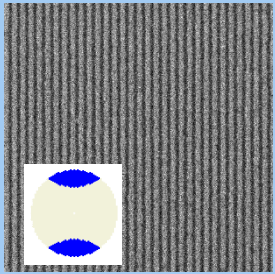
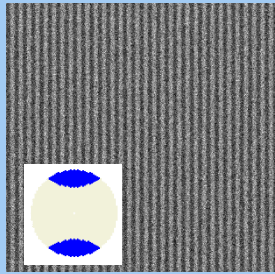
210W with dose in specifications
obtained on development source



**EUV – Installed Base:
more than power alone**

Process: resist towards 16nm resolution at 125 WPH

19% EL, 4.4nm LWR @18.5mJ/cm². Also 13nm resolved with 17% EL and 4.2nm LWR @31mJ/cm²

NXE:3350B	16nm Horizontal Dense lines/spaces			13nm Horizontal Dense lines/spaces	
	Reference CAR	New formulation CAR	New Inpria resist (NTI non-CAR)	CAR	New Inpria resist (NTI non-CAR)
SEM image @BE/BF					
Dose	40 mJ/cm ²	25 mJ/cm ²	18.5 mJ/cm²	~40 mJ/cm ²	31 mJ/cm ²
Exposure Latitude	16 %	16 %	19 %	-	17 %
DoF	145 nm	100 nm	125 nm	-	150 nm
LWR	4.6 nm	5.2 nm	4.4 nm	4.5 nm	4.2 nm



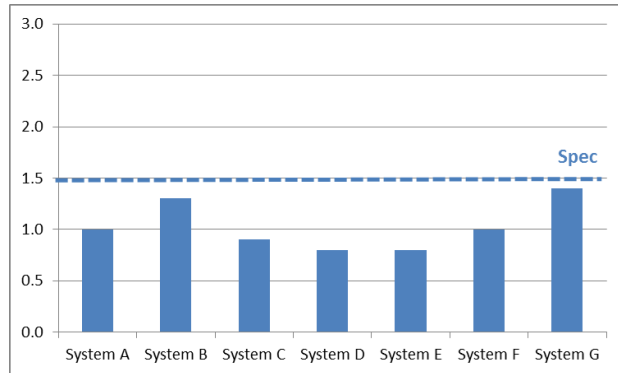
LWR = Line Width Roughness
DoF = Depth of Focus
EL = Exposure Latitude

BE/BF = Best Energy/Best Focus
CAR = Chemically Amplified Resist

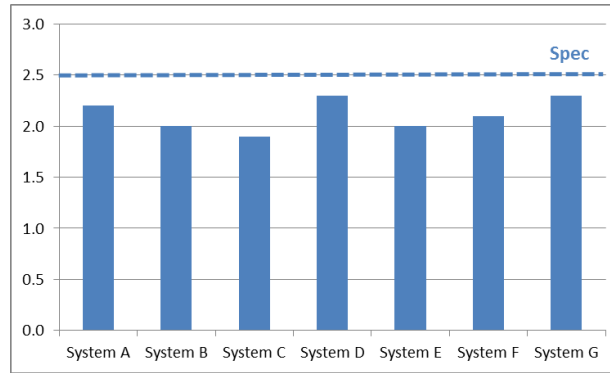
NXE:3350B overlay and focus performance

Well in specification due to HW improvement and new calibrations

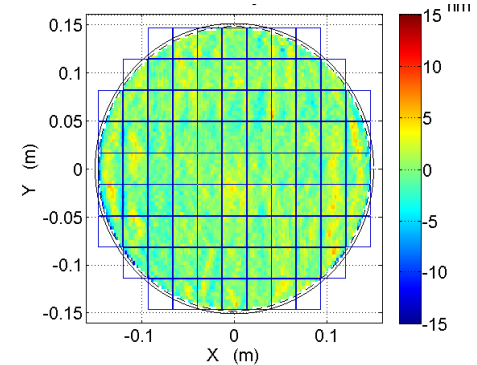
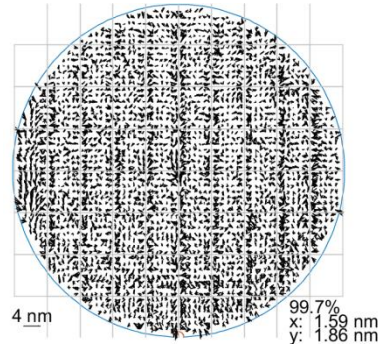
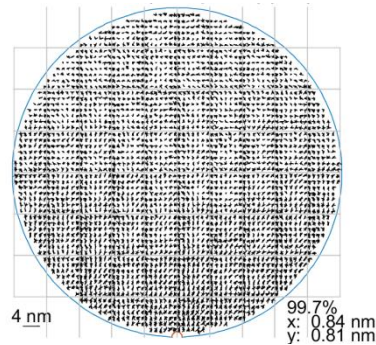
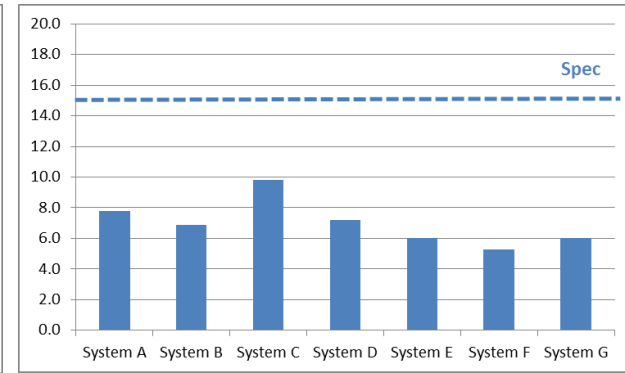
Dedicated chuck overlay [nm]



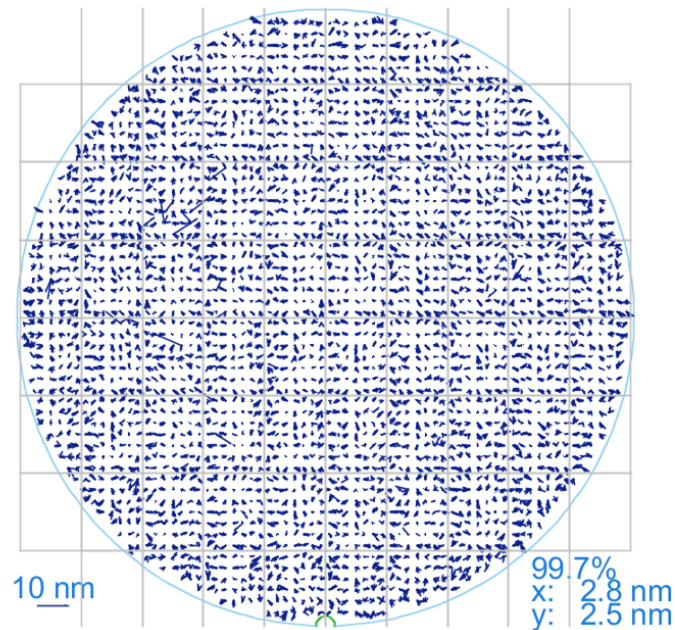
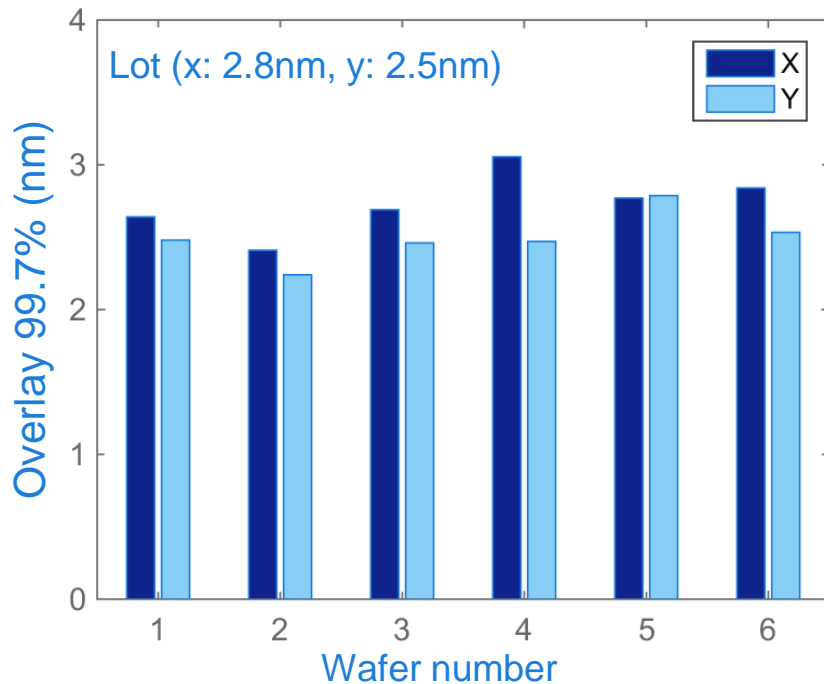
Matched machine overlay [nm]



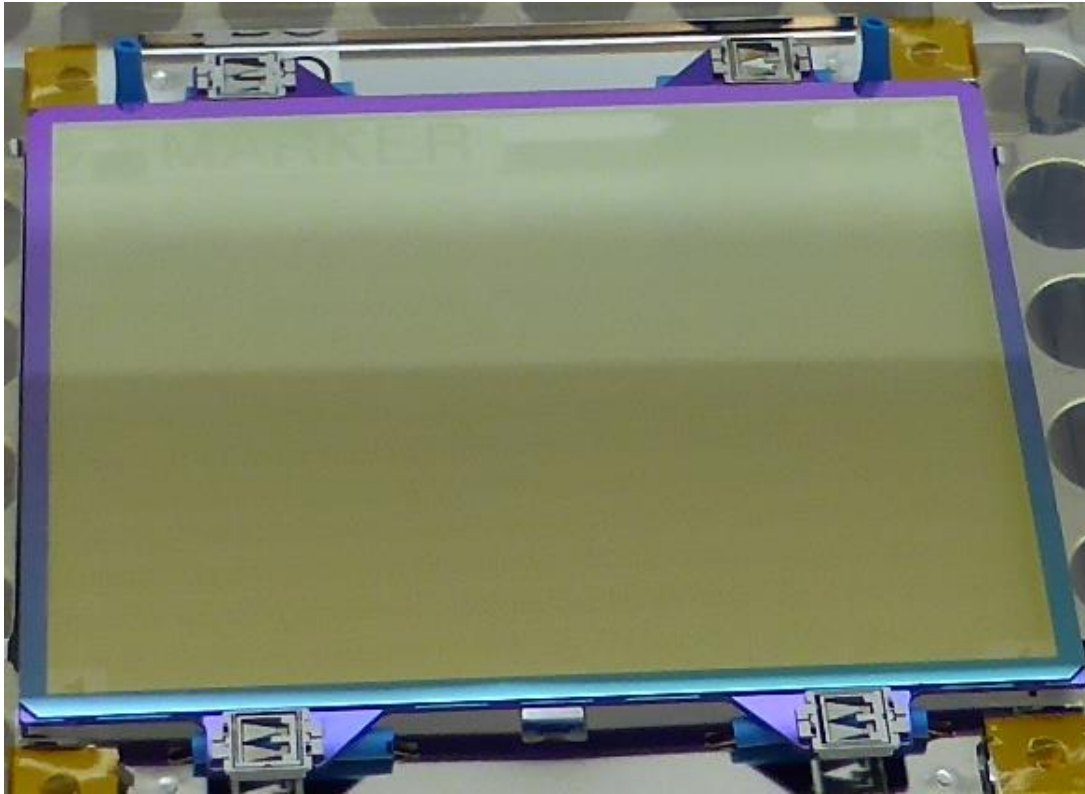
Focus uniformity [nm]



NXE:3350B matched machine overlay with NXT:1980Di <2.8nm



NXE Pellicles are being mounted and used in scanners

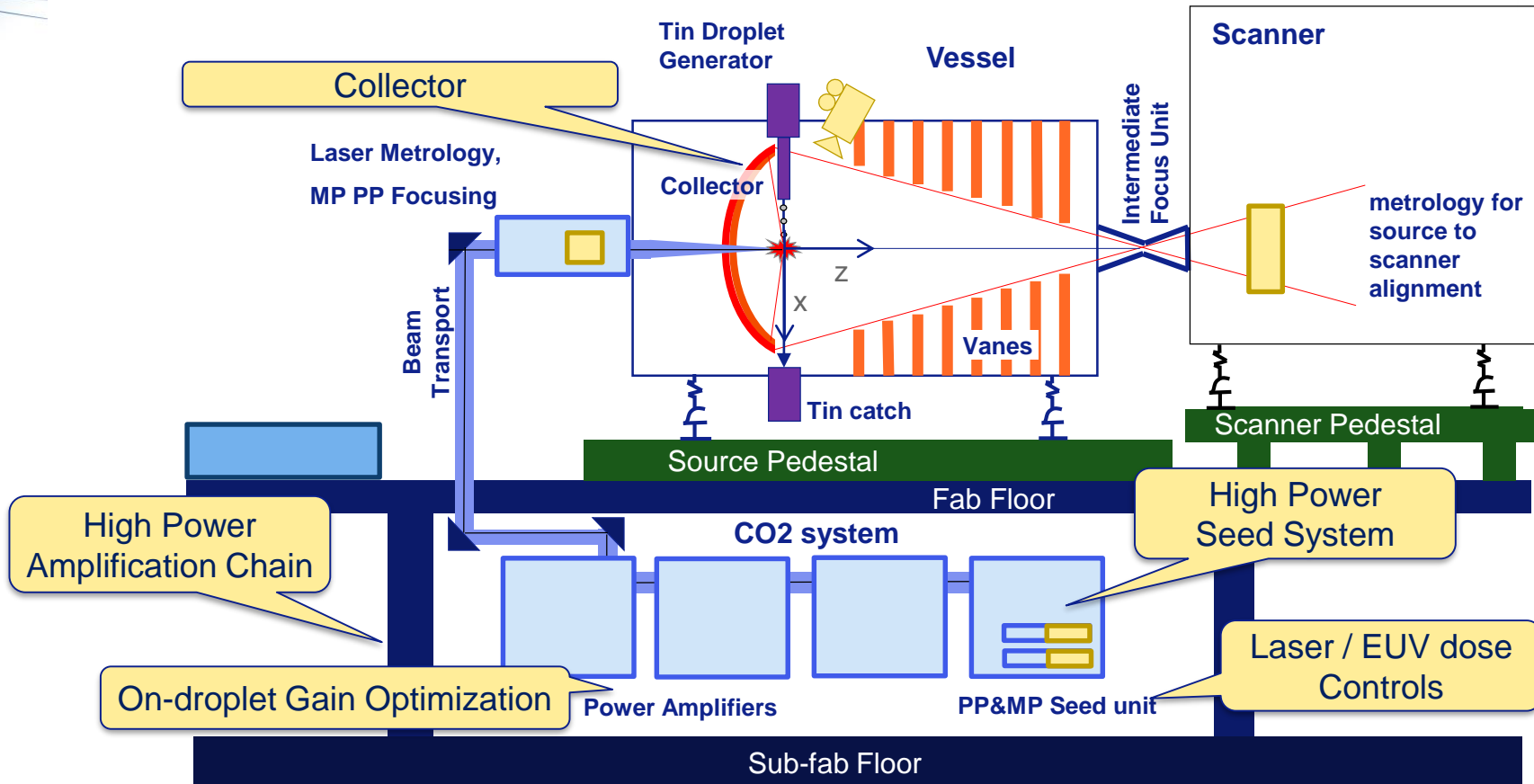


Prototype pellicle on early integration mounting tooling

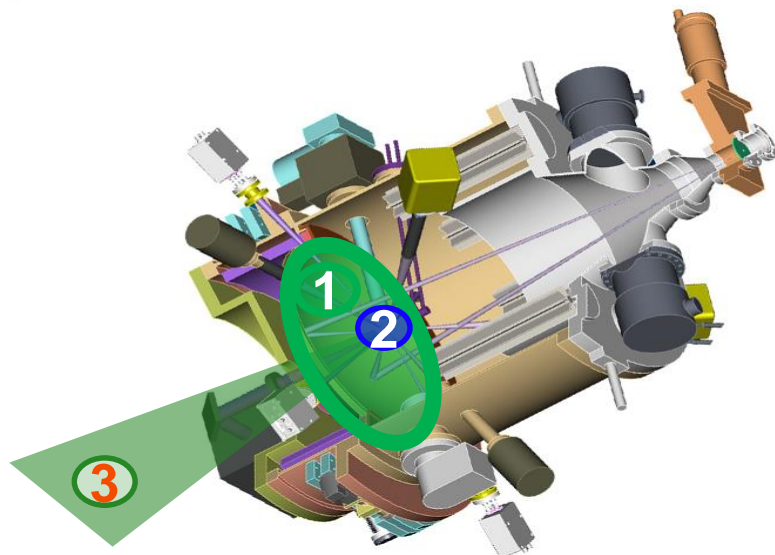
- **EUV source architecture, performance ,
power scaling**

The beauty of the ASML/CYMER EUV Source

EUV Source Architecture, Sn LPP MOPA with Pre-pulse



EUV LPP Source Key Technologies



Optics Protection

(Debris Management)

- Collector protection by gas flow
- In-situ collector cleaning
- Collector capping layers

Availability / CoO

Targeting Dynamics

- Target conditioning
- Focus Control
- x,y,z, E & t control

Dose Control / Yield

CO₂ Laser Power

- High power drive laser

Conversion Efficiency

- Prepulse

EUV Power / Throughput

Source power and availability drive productivity

Technology development work is ongoing to improve all aspects

$$\text{Productivity} = \text{Throughput}(\propto \text{EUV Power}) \times \text{Availability}$$

$$\text{EUV Power} = (\text{CO}_2 \text{ laser power} \times \text{CE} \times \text{transmission}) \times (1 - \text{dose overhead})$$

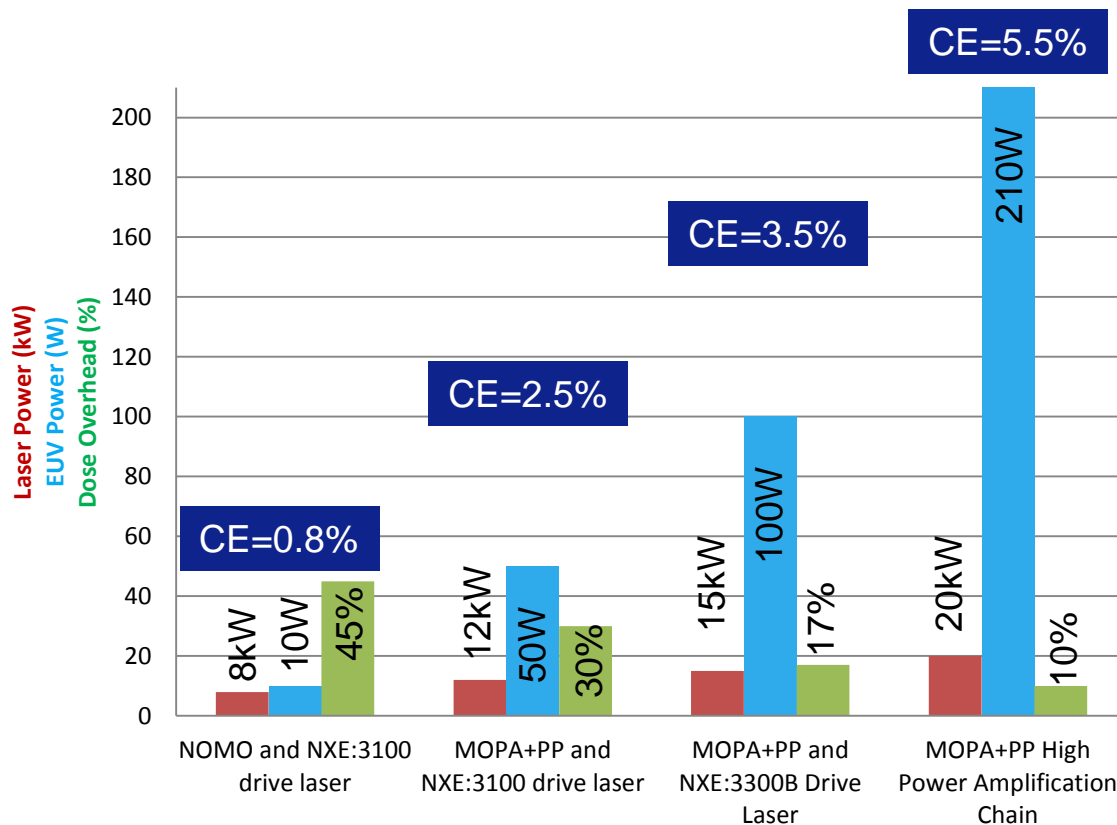
Raw EUV power

Source power from 10 W to > 250 W	Drive laser power	from 20 to 40 kW
	Conversion efficiency (CE)	from 1 to 6%
	Dose margin	from 50 to 10%
	Optical transmission	

Source availability	Automation
	Collector protection
	Droplet generator reliability & lifetime
	Drive laser reliability

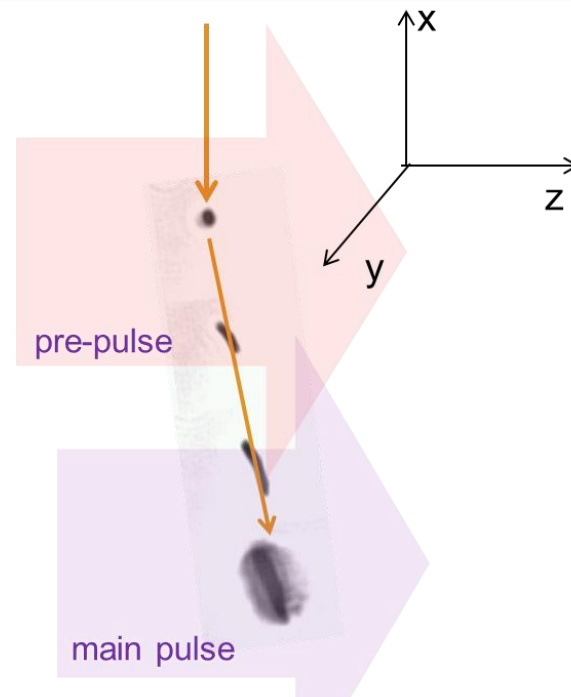
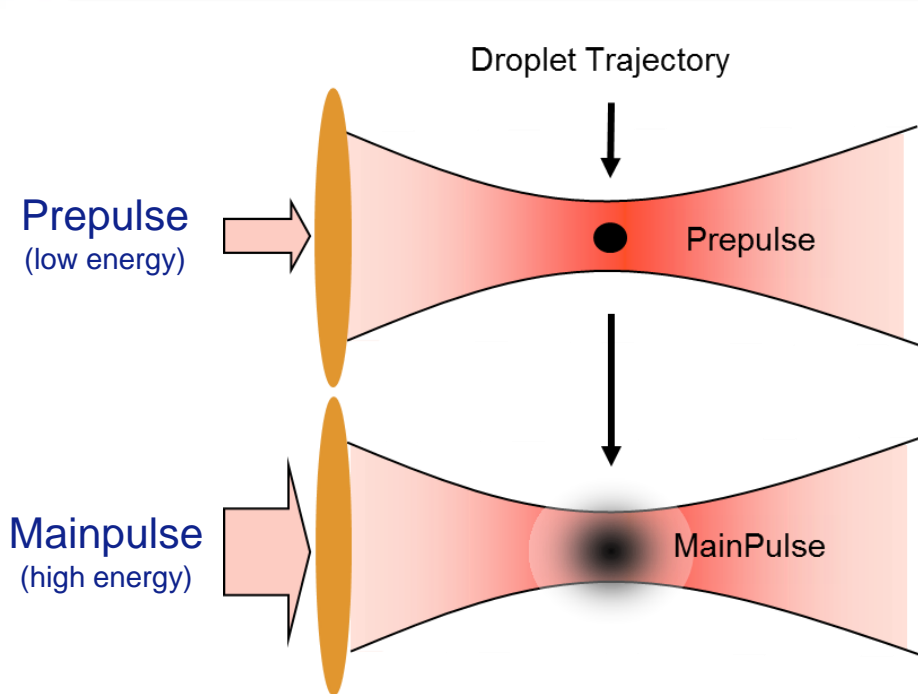
EUV power scaling through 2016

EUV power ~ CO₂ power * Conversion Efficiency * (1-Dose Overhead)



Conversion efficiency: Optimizing pre-pulse to create a

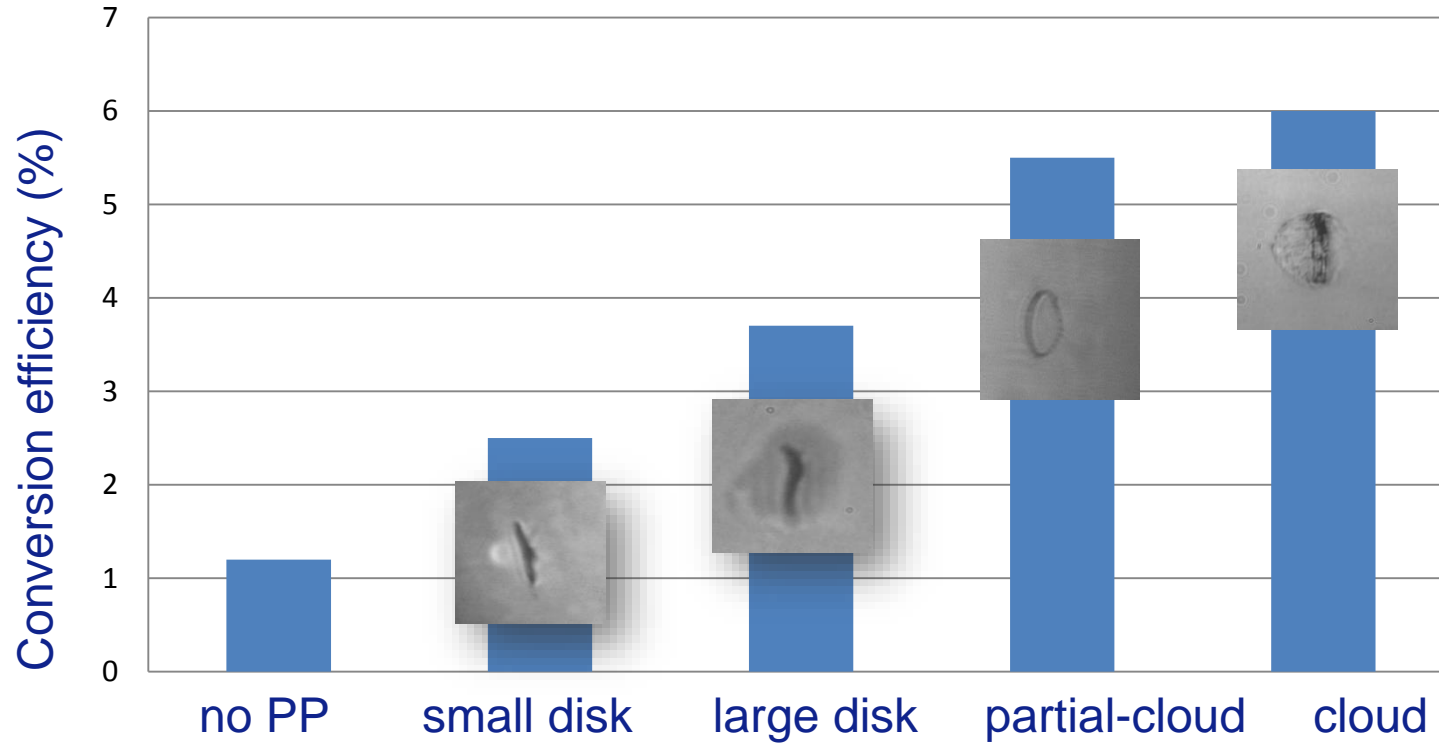
Target expansion fills main pulse beam waist



Target shape changes
from droplet to disk

Increased conversion efficiency with Pre-pulse

by optimization of target size, shape and density

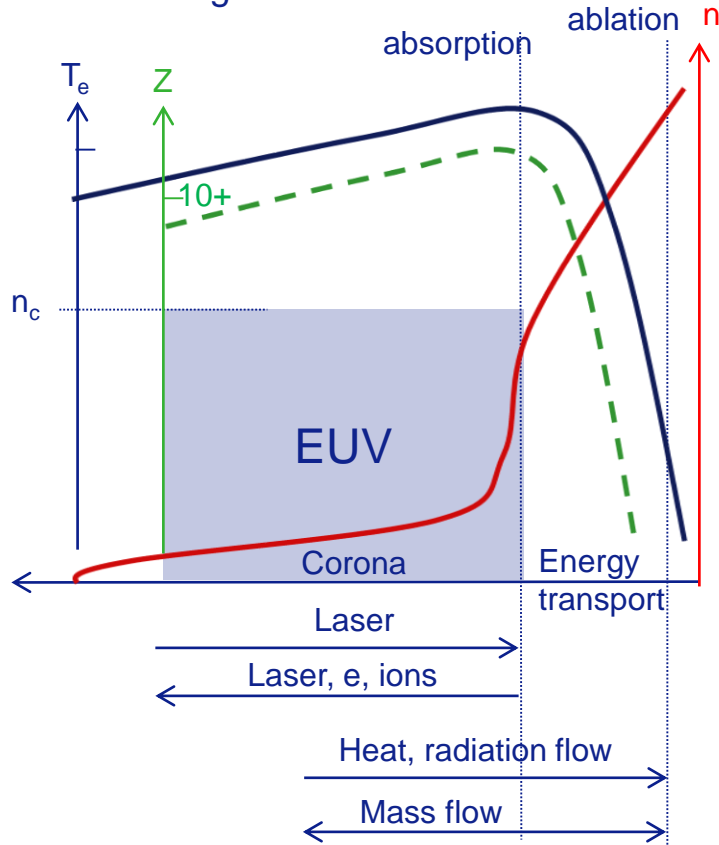


EUV CE ~6% demonstrated on development platforms

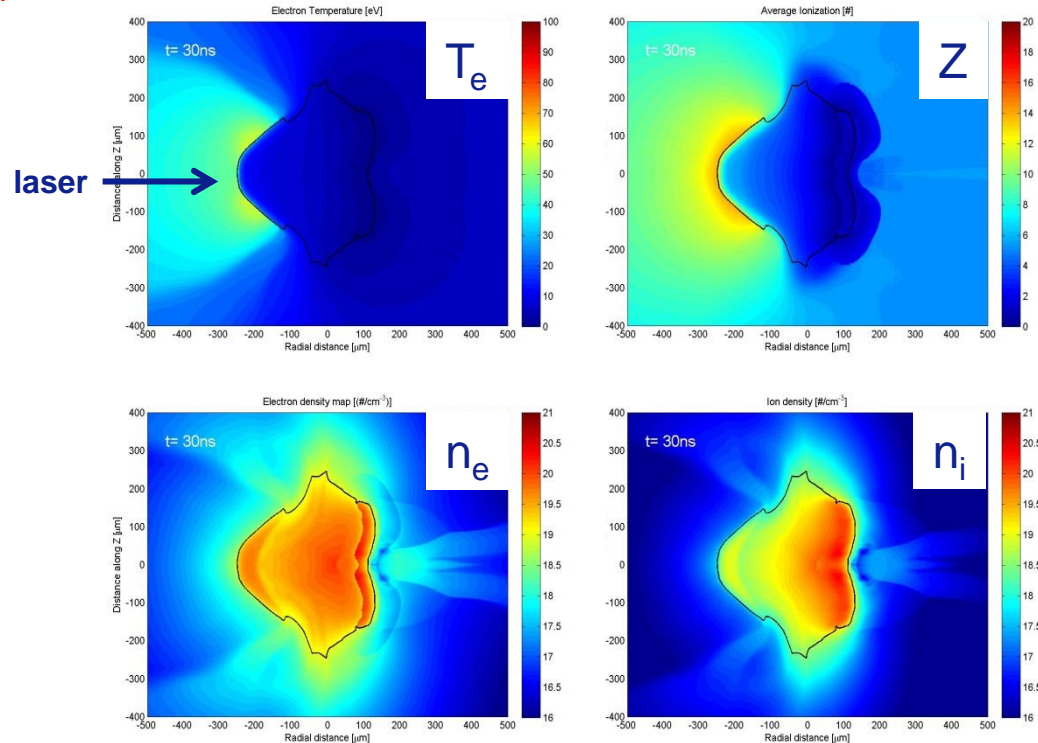
Plasma scale length (Z) is the key to increase its volume

Volume-distributed laser absorption enhances CO_2 laser deposition in plasma

Schematic diagram of traditional LPP



Hydrodynamic simulation of CO_2 Sn LPP



SPIE 2016, 97760K-1, Michael Purvis
“Advances in predictive plasma formation modelling”

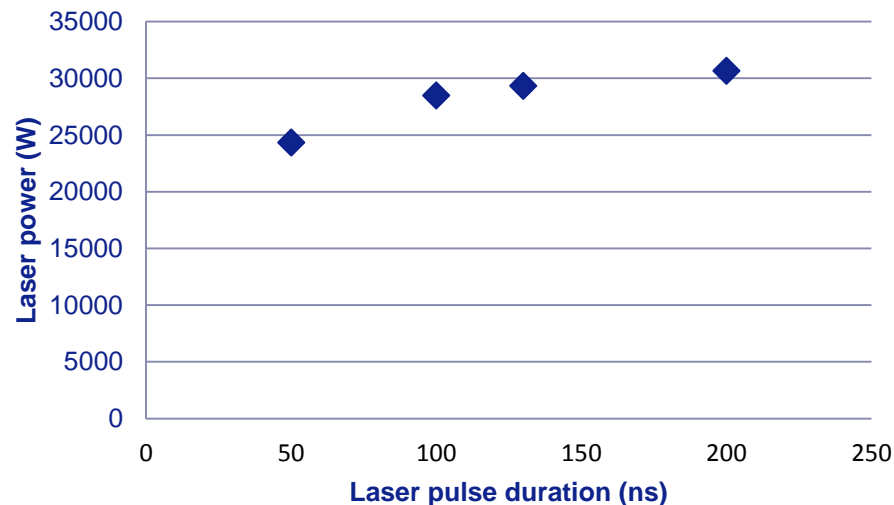
- **The Drive Laser, Droplet Generator
And collector**

CO₂ laser power scaling to scale EUV power

Efficient CO₂ laser pulse amplification

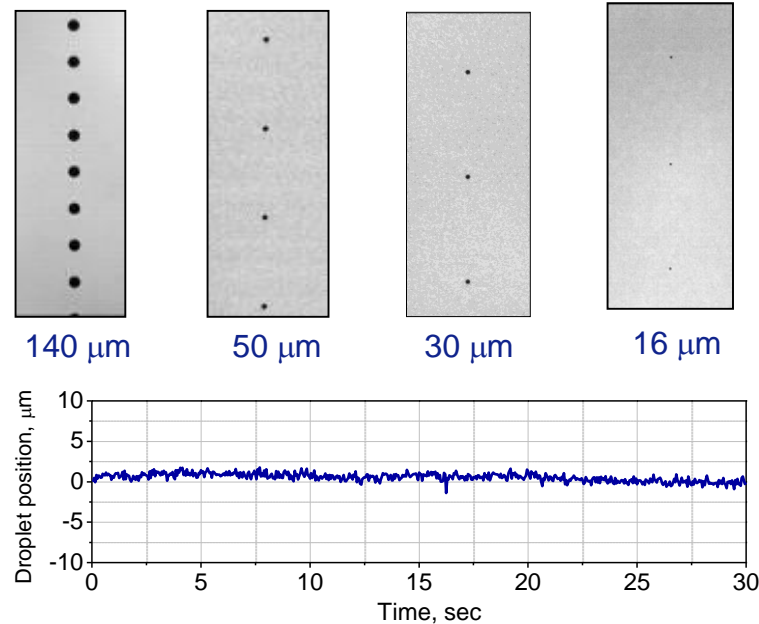
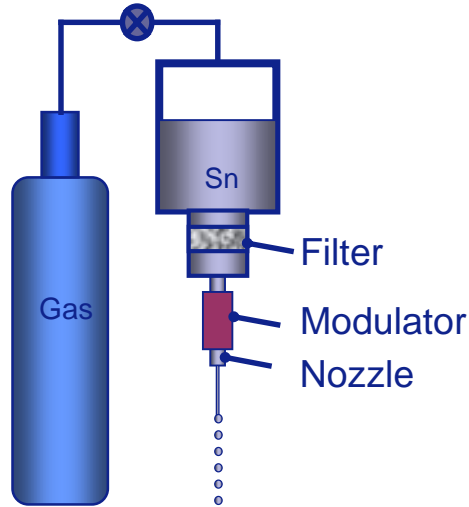
Throughput, WPH	125	145	185
EUV power (W)	250	350	500
CO ₂ laser power (kW)	27	30	40

3300 CO₂ drive laser



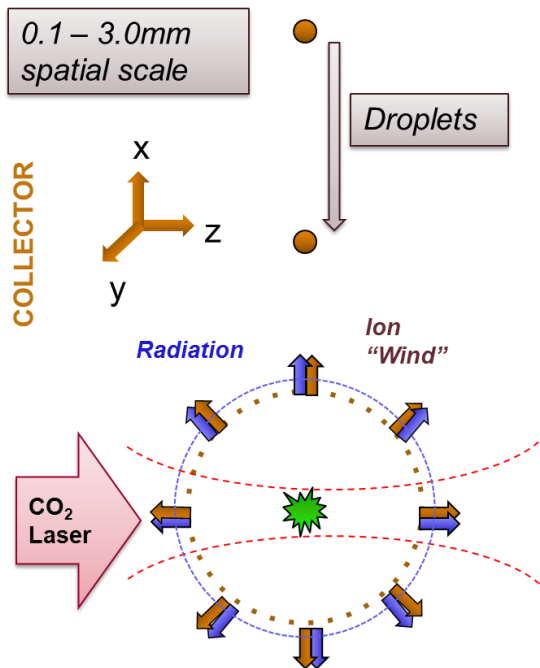
Droplet Generator, Principle of Operation

- Tin is loaded in a vessel & heated above melting point
- Pressure applied by an inert gas
- Tin flows through a filter prior to the nozzle
- Tin jet is modulated by mechanical vibrations



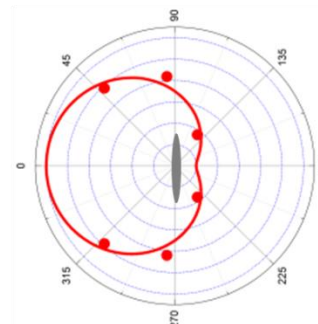
Short term droplet position stability $\sigma \sim 1 \mu\text{m}$

Forces on Droplets during EUV Generation



Measured Angular dependence of Forces on the droplets

Function fit: Force \sim
 $\text{EUVen} * A * (1 + \cos\theta + B) / R^2$



High EUV power at high repetition rates drives requirements for higher speed droplets with large space between droplets

High Speed Droplet Generation

Pressure (Speed)

3.5 MPa (26 m/s)

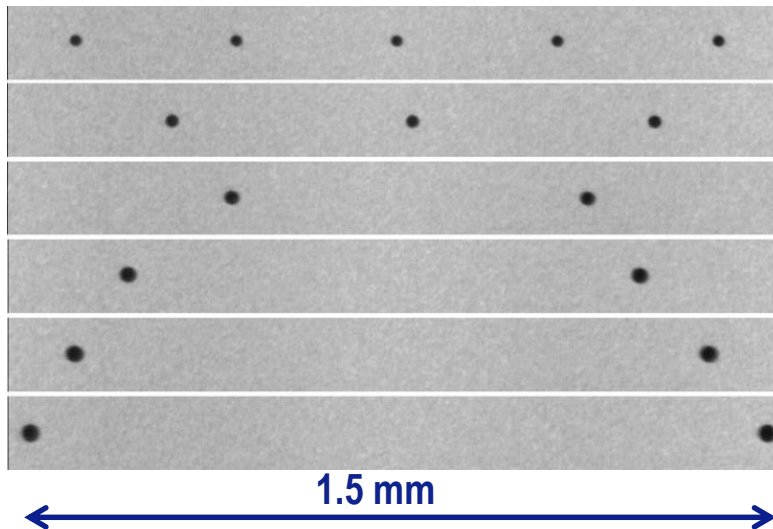
6.9 MPa (40 m/s)

13.8 MPa (58 m/s)

27.6 MPa (84 m/s)

41.4 MPa (104 m/s)

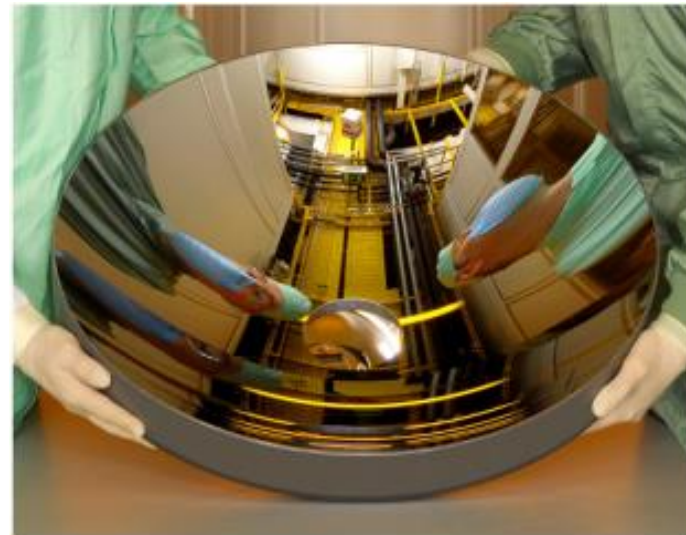
55.2 MPa (121 m/s)



Tin droplets at 80 kHz and at different applied pressures.
Images taken at a distance of 200 mm from the nozzle

EUV Collector: Normal Incidence

- Ellipsoidal design
 - Plasma at first focus
 - Power delivered to exposure tool at second focus (intermediate focus)
- 650 mm diameter
- Collection solid angle: 5 steradian
- Average reflectivity: > 40%
- Wavelength matching across the entire collection area

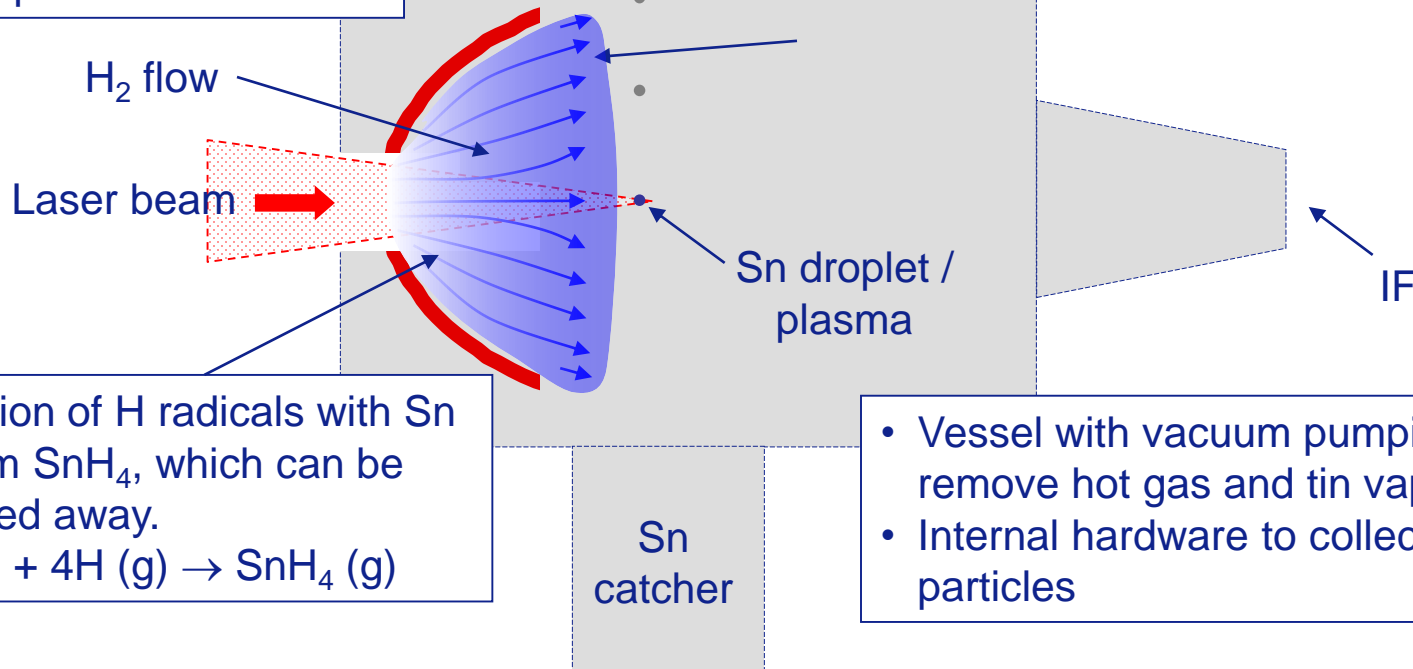


5sr Normal Incidence Graded Multilayer Coated Collector

Collector Protection

EUV collector
Temperature controlled

- Hydrogen buffer gas causes deceleration of ions
- Hydrogen flow away from collector reduces atomic tin deposition rate

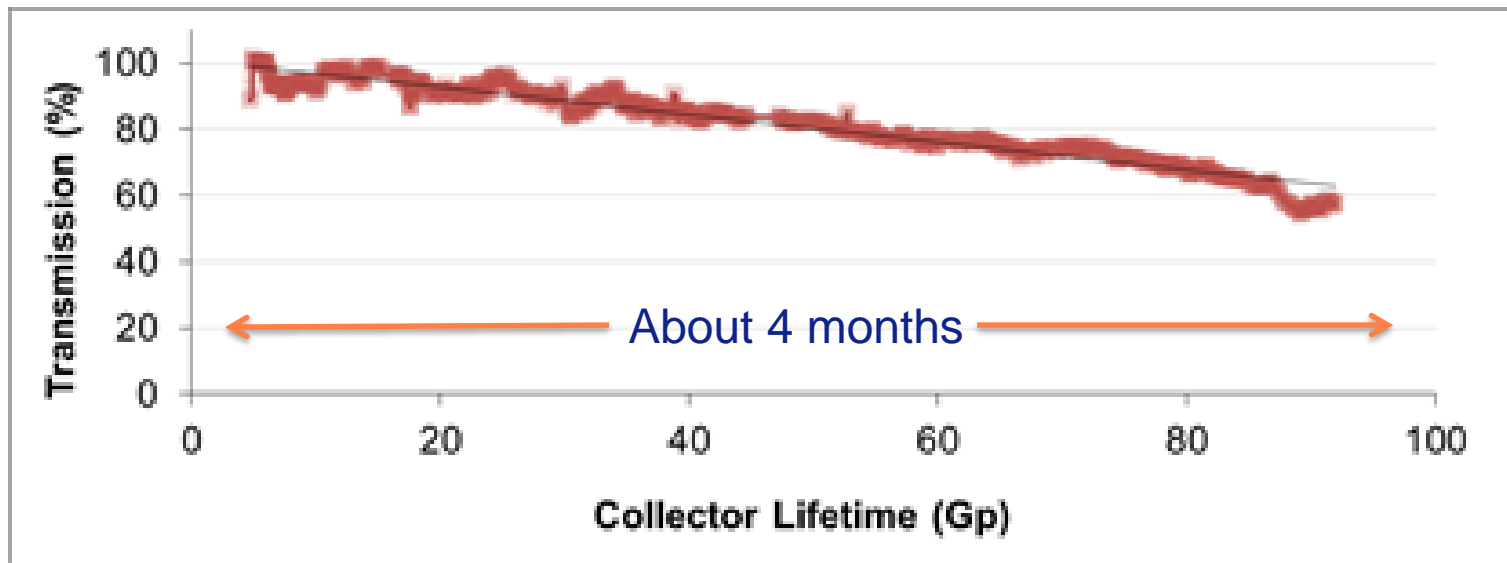


Reaction of H radicals with Sn to form SnH₄, which can be pumped away.
$$\text{Sn (s)} + 4\text{H (g)} \rightarrow \text{SnH}_4 \text{ (g)}$$

- Vessel with vacuum pumping to remove hot gas and tin vapor
- Internal hardware to collect micro particles

Collector Lifetime on NXE

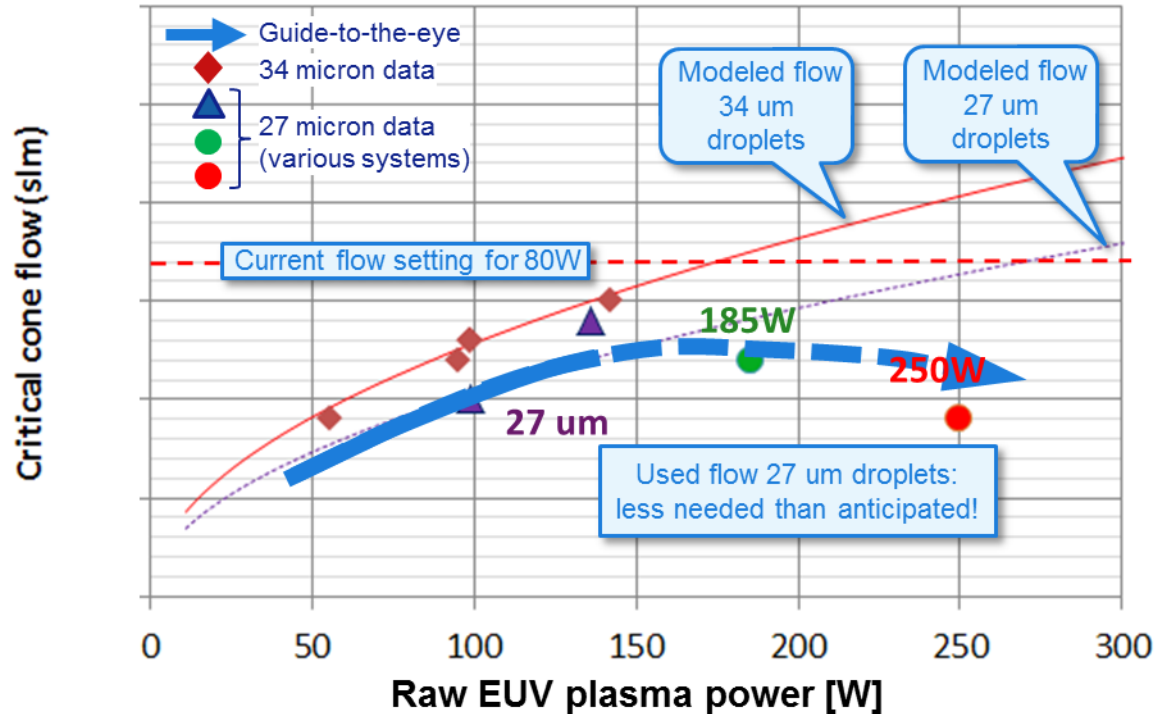
-0.4%/Gp: observed at a customer



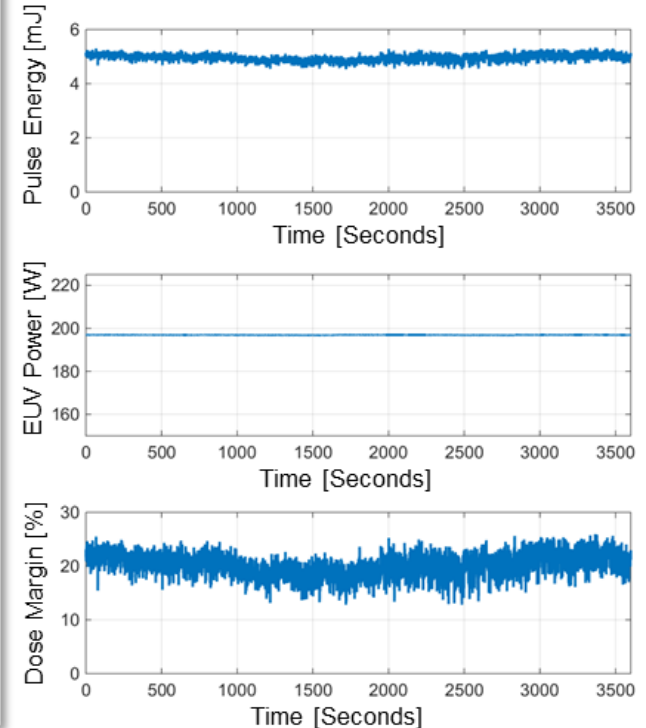
250W feasibility proven without increase in protective Hydrogen flow

No rapid collector contamination, allowing stable droplets and >125 w/hr@20 mJ/cm²

protection flow versus EUV power into NXE:3400



~200W dose controlled power



Summary

Significant progress in EUV power scaling,

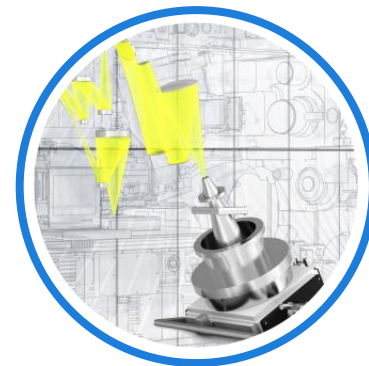
- CE is up to 6 %
- Dose-controlled power is up to 210 W

CO₂ developments support EUV power scaling,

- Clean (spatial and temporal) amplification of short CO₂ laser pulse
- High power seed-table enables CO₂ laser power scaling

Significant progress made in Source Availability

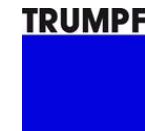
- >80% source availability in the field
- >1000 hrs droplet generator runtime
- >100 Gp collector lifetime



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